

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</b>  <b>Akins Nicholas K</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle)  <b>AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER, 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA</b>  (Street)  <b>COLUMBUS, OH 43215</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b>  <b>AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO INC [ AEP ]</b>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable)  <input type="checkbox"/> Director <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</span> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <span style="margin-left: 20px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)</span> <b>President and CEO</b>
<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)</b>  <p align="center"><b>2/26/2021</b></p>		<b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock (1)	2/26/2021		S		18585	D	\$75.34 (2)	187288	D	
Common Stock (1)	2/26/2021		S		32902	D	\$76.38 (3)	154386	D	
Common Stock (1)	2/26/2021		S		14996	D	\$77.03 (4)	139390	D	
Common Stock (1)	3/1/2021		S		2100	D	\$75.42	137290	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

**Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 16, 2020.
- (2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$74.83 to \$75.81. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (3) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$75.83 to \$76.82. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (4) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$76.83 to \$77.29. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>Akins Nicholas K AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER 1 RIVERSIDE PLAZA COLUMBUS, OH 43215</b>			<b>President and CEO</b>	

**Signatures**

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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